

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

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FOR
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THE
COMMON
PEOPLENOT CONTROLLED BY THE BIG INTERESTS
REGARDING TAXATION:

I note that a suggestion, purporting to come from the Executive Building, advocates the reduction of the present Income Tax Exemption.

I would call your attention to the taxation plank in my platform in which I pledge myself to a directly opposite policy.

In the Legislature of 1909, I introduced a bill, increasing the exemptions on incomes from \$1000 to \$2000. To insure the passage of this bill I was compelled to agree to a compromise of \$1500, at which figure the bill passed and became a law.

If elected to the Senate, I shall, as soon as the session convenes, introduce another bill for the purpose of increasing the exemption to \$2000. My reasons are these:

The intent of an income tax is to levy on incomes over a reasonable amount required by a man to adequately support himself and family.

As the law now stands a man with a salary of \$150 per month would be taxed on \$200. A man receiving \$200 per month would be taxed on \$300.

Under the present high cost of living, the ordinary man who would be called upon to pay an income tax, can not live on less than \$2000 per year and maintain his family in accordance to his social position.

No man should be required to pay a tax on wages earned, when all of it is needed for the support of his family.

The tax should be on the big incomes; those incomes over and above the amount needed to live on and which are used as surpluses for investment.

In answer to the argument that the increase in exemption would decrease the revenue I would say: If this is so, let us INCREASE THE RATE ON THE BIG INCOMES.

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DISTINGUISHED VISITOR SEES RUGER DEFENSES

A distinguished visitor to Honolulu today is Edward Bowditch, who is en route to China, a passenger on the Korea. Mr. Bowditch is a brother-in-law of General Oliver, assistant Secretary of War, and this morning he was entertained by General Macomb, who personally showed him through the rocky labyrinth of Diamond Head fortifications.

Mr. Bowditch is accompanied by his wife and a friend, Mrs. C. R. Sturges. Escorted by General Macomb and his aide, Lieutenant Andrews, the party motored to Fort Ruger, where Major E. J. Timberlake did the honors of the post.

Mr. Bowditch comes of a distinguished family, being a grandson of the famous mathematician who compiled the standard work on navigation.

ROAD IDEAS

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ples of our rock and make analyses and tests to determine the best kind of roads to build here and the varying mixtures on varying grades and curves. He recommended, however, that we establish a laboratory here of our own, which the territory could do at a cost of not more than \$5,000.

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Mr. Williamson is enthusiastic over the possibilities of bringing this scientific method to bear on road-work in Hawaii.

While in California he studied other public questions somewhat, and returns with ideas as to the direct primary law and a public utilities commission. The California public utilities commission act is regarded as an unusually comprehensive and practical one.

He was warmly greeted at Republican headquarters this morning and will at once plunge into the local campaign.

"HIAWATHA" OCT. 26.

October 26th instead of the 19th is the date set for the production of "Hiawatha" by the students of Kamehameha Girls' School. An error has been made in previous statements of the date.

Edwin Gould, one of the members of the famous Gould family, is soon to visit San Francisco. It is rumored that he will be made head of the Western Pacific at the next election to be held here.

LOST.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen—From the quarter deck of an automobile somewhere between the Empire and home, one fine, hale and hearty set high-grade store teeth. These were accidentally thrown out of machine with some other material not wanted. Reward if returned to Healan Boat Club. 5370-11

MERCHANTS HOLD LIVE DISCUSSION ON BIG TOPICS

Panama Canal, Municipal Record and Autos on Streets Taken Up

A fervent appeal to patriotism, made by John Effinger, failed yesterday afternoon to induce the Merchants' Association to adopt the Spokane proposal for changing the name of the big isthmian ditch from "Panama" to "American" canal. Nevertheless the failure was by the narrow margin of one vote, eight voting for and nine against the proposal.

When the circular of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce had been read—the same at that which the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce trustees last week declined to treat seriously—Mr. Effinger moved that the association adopt a similar resolution. This was seconded by O. C. Swain and when put drew an almost inaudible response of either ayes or noes. Before a show of hands was called, T. M. Church opposed the proposition, saying Panama was a distinctive name. What was to be gained by a change? We owned the canal anyway.

Ed Towse thought the Suez might as well be called the British canal. There were North, Central and South America—which America was intended? Panama expositions were to be held in San Francisco and San Diego. There would be great expense involved in re-marking of material.

Mr. Effinger said he knew nothing of the premises on which the proposal was based, but had thought no American would oppose it. The canal was built by American money and it was owned by Americans. The idea should appeal to any American.

Upon the decision being announced, it was voted that a formal letter stating it be sent to the Spokane chamber.

Accommodation For Tourists.
A letter from Secretary H. P. Wood of the Hawaii Promotion Committee was read, telling of a large increase in tourist travel to the islands. This fact was given as evidence of the success of the campaign for a long-time waged in propagating the idea that Hawaii is a good summer resort. "Hawaii is now looked upon," the letter said, "as an all-the-year-round resort. There was a lack of hotel and boarding house accommodations for the incoming people, and Mr. Wood asked the association to take this problem into consideration. It was further represented that the Promotion Committee needed \$5000 a month to keep up its stroke."

Mr. Church said the Hilo conference passed a resolution urging the Legislature to increase promotion funds.

President Gignoux remarked that the legislative committee would attend to the matter. There was nothing to be done now except for each merchant to help in finding accommodation for tourists.

Automobiles on Fort Street.

Merle M. Johnson, on the subject of the proposed ordinance to prohibit automobiles from standing on Fort street, said it would be a great disadvantage to merchants on that street. A great deal of Fort street's trade was what came in automobiles. There were five or six persons who left their autos on the street all day, and an ordinance giving the police power to stop such abuse of privilege should be sufficient. Tourists arriving in steamers, having only a few hours to spend, hired automobiles to do both shopping and sight-seeing, and it would be a hardship if these people could not have the machines wait for them along the street. He suggested a half-hour limit.

Mr. Effinger named a citizen who kept his machine in front of his (Effinger's) store all day.

Mr. Perkins considered the proposal to send autos into the side streets off Fort street unfair to the side streets. Mr. Brasch thought it absolutely necessary that some power be given the police. The side street idea was impracticable—they couldn't block up Hotel street, for instance. The plan to limit standing time was the best way out of it.

"The more congestion the better for business," was the way F. L. Waldron looked at it. "Just as well shut all traffic off the streets as to pass an ordinance like the one proposed."

Mr. Johnson, who said Supervisor Murray had declared he would put an ordinance through whether the merchants liked it or not, moved that a committee be appointed to oppose the proposed ordinance and support instead an ordinance limiting autos to thirty minutes on Fort street, and that an attorney be added to the committee. With some verbal amendment this carried, and Mr. Swain suggested that the decision be put in the form of a resolution.

Mr. Church thought the employment of an attorney would be a mistake as it would antagonize the supervisors. The only present need of an attorney would be to draft another ordinance.

Mr. Waldron then moved, seconded by Mr. Swain, that a letter to the board of supervisors be drawn up setting forth the opinion of the association in regard to automobile traffic on Fort street, which carried unanimously.

The chair appointed Messrs. Johnson, Du Roi and J. D. McInerney as the committee. Mr. Towse wanted Merchant street protected and Mr. Swain suggested that the whole business section be included in the committee's purview, which brought from Mr. Unger the objection that the proposed restrictions would interfere with people visiting the moving pic-

ture shows in their autos. The matter was then allowed to fade.

Association Annual Dinner.

President Gignoux brought up the matter of holding an annual dinner, creating laughter by the remark, "We have not had one for several years." Treasurer Johnson, in this connection was asked how the funds stood. He answered that the income was about \$350 a month, and the fixed expenses \$240, hence the association was saving about \$100 a month. There was on hand something like \$2500.

It was stated that the custom had been for members to pay so much a plate for dinners. The matter was left with the directors, it being agreed that the dinner should not be held in the holiday trade period.

Taxation Without Representation.

Mr. Waldron stirred up the most lively discussion of the meeting by stating that the Shippers' Wharf Committee refused to allow the three representatives of the association a vote in the proceedings of that body. The president thought it would be only fair that the representatives of the merchants who paid the tax should have a voice in the administration of the fund.

Most of the talk that followed was on the question of how to bring the matter to a settlement. There was a motion made to leave it to the directors, but a motion by Mr. Bon prevailed to make it a special order of business for an adjourned meeting of the association two weeks thence.

Then a member asked if the matter should not be kept out of the papers, and Mr. Swain thought it should be kept quiet.

W. R. Farrington, who had just come in, expressed the opinion that anything important to the community should be given the fullest publicity. Secrecy was not in keeping with a live-wire organization. They could not get community support with such ideas on the question of publicity. It was a great mistake to attempt to quiet these things down. "If a thing is fair," said he, "for heaven's sake let it be made known. Publicity is vital to the association."

Mr. Church observed that there was nothing to keep quiet, and the matter was then committed to the discretion of the reporters.

The Municipal Record.

Mr. Farrington, on being asked to give talk on anything he pleased, took occasion to tell about a dereliction of duty on the part of the committee appointed in connection with his fight against the Municipal Record. He had seemed that fight as a taxpayer, and it seemed to him that a committee having such a matter in hand would see the members who made the protest. The representative of the Chamber of Commerce presented a strong protest against the measure, while the association's representative merely said that he believed it a good thing but the time for starting the municipal organ was not opportune. When a committee was appointed on a particular question it should see the people on all sides. Yet this committee had never given him hearing on the matter involved. It seemed to him that the association's attitude was decidedly spineless in representing—"that it was a good thing"—and he did not know where such an opinion was gained.

President Gignoux stated that Mr. Wakefield assured him that he would investigate all sides of the question, and up to this moment he thought he had done so.

Mr. Farrington, proceeding, gave a history of the controversy between the supervisors and himself on the matter, saying the theory might be all right, but the publication was an absolute waste of money so far as Honolulu was concerned, the conditions being different from those of San Francisco, Los Angeles and Denver, whose examples Supervisor Murray quoted. At the meeting with the supervisors, they were unable to show good reasons for the expenditure, especially in view of the many road improvements they had to sidetrack for want of money. Deputy Attorney Milverton testified that the newspapers never declined to publish any matter, however lengthy in text, requested by the law department, and Mr. Murray was unable to cite a single instance where the papers had refused to publish any specific intelligence of the board. He did not want to center all the blame on Murray for the scheme. The combination was Murray, McClellan, Kruger and Amann.

Representative At Washington.
President Gignoux stated that the directors had nothing to propose regarding the appointment of a representative of the association at Washington. They could get along very well without one until they knew who was going to be the delegate.

A resolution was passed expressing appreciation of the services of Mr. McClellan, the retired representative at Washington, and on motion of Mr. Brasch it was ordered that an engrossed copy of the resolution be sent to Mr. McClellan as a memento.

CENTRAL UNION WILL HOLD BIBLE CLASSES

A series of Sunday morning bible classes will be held this year by the Central Union Church under the leadership of the associate minister Rev. A. A. Eberole. The class will be conducted in the lecture room of the Kilohana Art League every Sunday morning from ten until eleven o'clock.

The class will hold its first session next Sunday morning, October 20, and the opening lessons on "How the Gospels came to be written," and "How they have come down to us," will be of special interest and value.

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